Dear Parents and Guardians,

As I begin my first school year as Principal of Southbridge High School, I am energized and deeply committed to making a positive difference in the lives of your children. We will accomplish this by setting high expectations for all students, providing the necessary supports, holding high standards for instruction, and focusing on a positive climate and culture in the school. With this, our goal is to graduate young adults that have the essential skills required for success in college and career.

I am pleased to share some of the exciting changes that have been made over the summer. First, we have added two new Assistant Principals, Richard Gill and Gina Fasoli Figueroa, who come to Southbridge with many years of leadership experience and a wealth of knowledge. Second, multiple educators attended a week long Advanced Placement training course. This course focused on improving instruction for our highest performing students and methods to increase the number of students enrolled in the Advanced Placement courses. Last, we have started the process to integrate PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) into the High School to guide the work of making this a positive experience for all students.

We look forward to the rich traditions of Southbridge High School while embracing the change that we will experience in order to improve. Our dedicated staff, hard-working students, and involved parents are the reason Southbridge High School is a unique and amazing place.

If you would like to contact me, my e-mail address is [pdanby@southbridgepublic.org](mailto:pdanby@southbridgepublic.org). You can also reach me by phone at Southbridge High School, (508)764-5450.

I look forward to seeing all parents and guardians at the upcoming school events.

Sincerely,

Patrick Danby